Risk of Filariasis in Urban Slum in Metropolitan Cities

153. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment to know to what extent country's population is exposed to the risk of filariasis with the growth in the urban slums particularly in the big and metropolitan cities in the country;

(b) if so what are the details thereof; and

(c) what measures have been taken by Government to check the spread of the disease?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The requisite information is given in the enclosed statement *(see below)*.

(c) Under the National Filaria Control Programme recurrent antilarval measures with larvicides are undertaken for source reduction. Biological control method are also undertaken wherever possible. The micro filaria carriers detected are treated with drugs. In addition 150 filaria clinics are functioning for detection and treatment of micro filaria carriers. Adequate quantities of lavicides and drugs are being supplied to the States/Union Territories concerned under the Programme.

Statement

State-wise estimated population exposed to the risk of Filariasis

(Figures in Million)

State/UT	Population at risk		
	Total	Rural	Urban
1 2	3	4	5
1. Andhra Pradesh	44·04	33·35	10.69
2. Assam	8·85	7.69	0·36
3. Bihar	50·30	43·50	7·30
4. Gujarat	15·06	9·05	6·01
5. Karnataka	9·71	7·44	2·27
6. Kerala	27·69	22·49	5·20
7. Maharashtra	12 73	**	12·73
8. Madhya Pradesh	19·39	15·77	3·62
9. Orissa	22·28	19·75	2·53
10. Tamil Nadu	31·76	21.29	10·47
11. Uttar Pradesh	80·58	68·10	12·48
12. West Bengal	17·10	1·61	15·49

1	2	3	4	5
13.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0·20	1·15	0·05
14.	Pondicherry	0·65	0·32	0·33
15.	Lakshadweep	0·39	0·39	0·14
16.	Goa	1·18	0·80	0·38
17.	Dadar, Nagar and Haveli	0·11	0·10	0·01
	TOTAL :	342·36	251·80	90·56

**Only Urban areas surveyed.

Crisis faced by the Shipping Industry

154. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

SHRI K. MOHANAN:

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the serious crisis being faced by the shipping industry in the country which is on the verge of total collapse;

(b) whether Government have taken stock of the circumstances leading to the crisis in the shipping industry; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and the steps contemplated by the Government to assist the industry to overcome the crisis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Most shipping companies in India are facing acute cash-flow problems arising out of current recession in shipping industry. In order to assist the shipping companies have been allowed reschedulement of their overdues for the years upto 1982-83 to Shipping Development Fund Committee and to commercial banks. Besides above, certain measures of cargo support like instructions to Public Sector Uudertakings|Governments Departments to negotiate C&F exports and F.O.B. imports have been issued. Certain concessions to importers for using Indian vessels in the matter of import licences and to exporters for using Indian vessels in the matter of replenishment licences have also been extended.

Earnings of DTC

155. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what were earnings of DTC on 9th, 10th and 11th February, 1986;

(b) how many commuters travelled on the DTC buses on 9th, 10th and 11th February, 1986;

(c) how many DTC buses were on the road in the city on these three days; and

(d) what was the fleet utilization aggregate of the DTC on these days?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) The following is the position of traffic earnings and commuters travelled on 9-2-86, 10-2-86 and 11-2-86.